THE LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

MINUTES OF MEETING

DECEMBER 6, 7, 2010 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to call of the President and lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, December 6, 2010, by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 1515 Poydras Street, Suite 2700, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members were present as follows:

Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., President Robert Earl Dawson, M.D., MPH, Vice-President Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer Kweli J. Amusa, M.D. John Michael Burdine, M.D. Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D.

Board Members absent as follows:

Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.

The following members of the Board's staff were present:

Robert L. Marier, M.D., Executive Director
Emily Diane Eisenhauer, M.D., Assistant Director of Investigations
Thania Elliott, RN, Investigator
Grace Hammons, Program Compliance Officer Manager
Christine Holder, Program Compliance Officer III
Leslie Rye, Program Compliance Officer III
Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure
Rita L. Arceneaux, Confidential Executive Assistant

Legal counsel to the Board was present as follows:

Judge Frederick S. Ellis Philip O. Bergeron

First Session Monday, December 6, 2010

- 1. **Minutes of October 18, 19 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting of October 18, 19, 2010. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the meetings together with the executive sessions conducted during such meeting with all necessary corrections.
- 2. Status Report on Action Items of Prior Board Meetings; Report on Assignments to Counsel. The Board noted that action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings had been completed. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- 3. Rules and Regulations; Rules/Under Development; Physician Assistants; Personal Appearances. The Board entertained several comments relative to the proposed rules under development on the rule amendments relative to physician assistants. Peter Stevens, Chairman, Physician Assistant Advisory Committee, Jennifer Angelo, President, Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants and Amy Phillips, Attorney, Louisiana State Medical Society along with others each offered comments on the proposed rules. Following their appearance, on the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, and passed by unanimous voice vote, it was the decision of the Board to defer action on publication of the *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments until further consideration and incorporation of the comments into a final draft to be presented at the next meeting of the Board.

4 Rules and Regulations.

- a. <u>Final Rules/Amendments</u>: <u>Physicians and Surgeons Emergency Transfer of Patients</u>: The Board directed the development of a rule that would exempt the need for licensure of physicians and allied health care professionals, licensed in another state, who are part of a transport team providing emergency or other medical services to patients during transfer or transportation to or from a hospital in this state. A draft was presented for initial consideration and discussion during its March 2010 meeting. Following discussion, the Board decided to approve publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 2010 edition of the *Louisiana Register and became final upon promulgation in the November 2010*.
- b. Rules/Amendments Noticed for Intent: Physicians and Surgeons Unprofessional Conduct: The Board proposed to adopt rules identifying some of the instances that constitute unprofessional conduct and thereby provide a basis for enforcement of disciplinary action. Following due consideration and acceptance of

technical changes, the Board approved publication of Notice of Intent to adopt the proposed rules in the Louisiana Register. The Notice of Intent to adopt the proposed rules appeared in the September 2010 edition of the Louisiana Register. It is anticipated that the final rule will be published in the January 2011 edition of the Louisiana Register. Physicians and Surgeons - Combined internship/Exception to 10 Year Rule: The Board proposed to amend Section 311 of its rules to: (i) provide that a combined internship program which is not accredited shall be deemed to satisfy the internship requirement for licensure, provided that each program of the combined program is accredited; and (ii) consider for licensure applicants who complete a residency or fellowship within the last four years and are continuing training or practicing in their specialty, irrespective of whether or not the applicant passed the qualifying national examination within a span of ten years as is otherwise required for applicants. A draft was presented for initial consideration and discussion at its March 2010 meeting. Following discussion at its March and June 2010 meetings, the Board approved publication of Notice of Intent to adopt the rule amendments in the Louisiana Register. The Notice of Intent to adopt the proposed rules appeared in the September 2010 edition of the Louisiana Register. It is anticipated that the final rule will be published in the January 2011 edition of the Louisiana Register. Physicians and Surgeons - Reciprocity: The Board proposed to amend Section 353 to: (i) clarify that the limitation on examination attempts (Section 387) applies equally to reciprocity applications; and (ii) apply the proposed amendment to Section 311B equally to reciprocity applicants, e.g. those completing residency training and are continuing in fellowship or practicing in their specialty need not have taken the qualifying examination for licensure within a span of ten years. Following consideration, the Board approved publication of Notice of Intent to adopt the rule amendment. The Notice of Intent appeared in the September 2010 edition of the Louisiana Register. It is anticipated that the final rule will be published in the January 2011 edition of the Louisiana Register. Clinical Laboratory Personnel – The Clinical Laboratory Advisory Committee recommended that the Board undertake the following additional rule-making efforts: (i) to adopt staff's recommendations to include a number of causes that may give rise to the denial, suspension, or revocation of licensure; (ii) to delete Chapter 111 of its rules so that the Board may continue to handle disciplinary proceedings relative to CLP applicants/licensees as it does for all other allied health care providers; and (iii) to eliminate certification examinations CLS-G/CLS-T offered by two organizations, which in the view of the Committee, do not provide the minimum acceptable educational, clinical, employment or experience requirements requisite to licensure. The Board previously reviewed, discussed and decided to provide Notice of Intent to adopt items (i) and (ii) in the Louisiana Register and further requested and received clarification on item (iii) from the Committee. Representatives of the Board's CLP staff and CLP Advisory Committee appeared at the March 2010 meeting to discuss the recommendations to item (iii).

Following discussion, the Board authorized publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rule amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the November edition of the *Louisiana Register*. Medical Psychologists — The Board decided to undertake a rule making effort pursuant to Act 251 of the 2009 session of the Louisiana Legislature which, among other matters, transfers medical psychologists from the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to the Board. Following consideration at its August 2010 meeting, the Board approved publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules in the *Louisiana Register*. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the November edition of the *Louisiana Register*. Physician and Surgeons — Collaboration with Medical Psychologists — As part of the rule effort to adopt rules governing medical psychologists, technical amendments are being made to the Board's existing rules that regulate physicians who collaborate with medical psychologists. *Notice of Intent* appeared in the November 2010 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Rules/Amendments Under Development - Respiratory Therapy - The Respiratory Therapy Advisory Committee reviewed the current rules to ascertain what modifications may be needed in light of the legislative changes to the Louisiana Respiratory Therapy Act in 2007 and provided its recommendations for review. A revised draft was received from the Committee. It is anticipated that revisions will be presented to the Advisory Committee during its December 13th meeting, with the intent to present a final draft to the Board for review and discussion during its January meeting. Perfusionist - The Perfusion Advisory Committee prepared an initial draft of rules for this category of allied health care professionals. A revised draft was received and is being studied. As soon as it has been refined, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. Physicians and Surgeons -Mid-Level Providers - The Board appointed a Committee to work on the development of rules for supervision, collaboration and consultation with mid-level providers. As soon as such draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. Physicians and Surgeons - Supervision of Unlicensed Providers - The Board directed staff/counsel to work on the development of rules for supervision of unlicensed providers of cosmetic and other medical services. As soon as a draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. Polysomnography - The Board received a proposed draft of new rules for polysomnographers from its Advisory Committee on Polysomnography. As soon as a final draft has been prepared, it will be presented to the Board for review and discussion. Physician Assistants – A draft of proposed amendments concerning scope of practice issues relating to physician assistants was referred to the PA Advisory Committee for input. A draft was presented to the Board for consideration at its July 2008 meeting. Suggested modifications, along with additional revisions from the Committee and staff were incorporated into a draft and considered by the Board at its August 2008 meeting. At that time, the Board approved the draft and voted to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the rules in the Louisiana Register. Prior to publication, the Board granted the request of the

Physician Assistant Advisory Committee and the Louisiana Association of Physician Assistants to discuss the proposed rules at its December 15, 2008 meeting. Following discussion among these parties and the Board at that time, the Board decided to withhold publication of the Notice of Intent and study the draft further. A revised draft was presented for consideration at its October 2010 meeting. Following review and discussion, the Board suggested certain modifications. A draft was subsequently sent to the PA Advisory Committee for review during their October meeting. (See item 3 above). Midwifery - The Board directed staff to prepare an amendment to its rules to address certification of midwifery training by a national accrediting entity. The matter is on hold pending a request for rulemaking. Physicians and Surgeons - Demonstration of Clinical Competency: The Board instructed staff/counsel to work on the development of rules demonstration physician clinical competency reinstatement/renewal. A draft was presented to the Board for initial consideration and discussion at its April 2009 meeting. During its January 11, 2010 meeting, the Board reviewed, discussed and decided to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the proposed rules in the Louisiana Register. Private Radiologic Technologists: - The Board reviewed the proposed rule amendments that move the fee schedule for private radiologist technologists from Chapter 81 to Chapter 1 and revise the training requirements needed for certification. The Board approved providing a Notice of Intent to adopt the rule amendment in the Louisiana Register. Physicians and Surgeons - Board **<u>Certification:</u>** The Board directed staff/counsel to work on establishing and identifying criteria for Board Certification to be employed by the Board. Pursuant to this request, a draft was presented and discussed by the Board during its December 2009 and January 2010 meetings. A revised draft, incorporated suggested modifications was presented for further consideration during its March 2010 meeting. At its June 2010, the Board received presentations from representatives of the American Board of Physician Specialties, the American Board of Medical Specialties and others on the proposed draft.

- **[5.]** Report on Pending Litigation. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of legal counsel on pending litigation to which the Board was a party and the status of proceedings for judicial review of prior Board decisions, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:17A(2). No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **[6.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar**. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, to review the calendar of personal appearances and docketed hearings, as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. 42:17 A(1), (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

- [7.] Investigative Reports. Continuing in executive session, the Board considered the investigative reports as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee, and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following:
 - a. <u>Administrative Complaints:</u> The following administrative complaints were approved for filing and scheduling of a formal hearing:

Docket No. 10-I-458 Docket No. 10-I-159 Docket No., 10-I-758

b. Consent Orders: The following Consent Orders were accepted:

Mehdi Mosedegh, M.D., Docket No., 10-I-219
Faith Renelle Robinson, LRT, Docket No., 10-I-880
Donald Rochon Parker, M.D., Docket No., 10-I-331
Jorge Rafael Belgodere-Bonilla, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-230
David Adam Hebert, M.D., Docket No., 10-I-691
Robert Evans Burke, PA, Docket No., 05-I-484
Mary Eloise Patterson, PA, Docket No., 10-I-580
Mark David Callender, PA, Docket No., 10-I-578
Dan William Joachim, M.D., Docket No., 10-I-696
Irish Faye Pugao, PA, Docket No., 10-I-579

c. <u>Information Only</u>: The following matters were presented for information only:

Docket No., 10-I-758 Docket No., 10-I-619 Docket No., 10-I-949

- d. <u>Closed Complaint Cases</u>: The Board reviewed the Closed Complaint Cases Report. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **[8.] Physicians Health Committee.** On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of Julie Alleman, M.Ed., LPA, LMFT, LAC, Administrative Director, Physicians'

Health Foundation on the participates in the Physicians' Health Program who were either appearing before the Board or had matters before the Board for review and discussion, as matters relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). No further action was taken on this matter.

- [9.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Faith Renelle Robinson, LRT. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Faith Renelle Robinson, LRT, concerning a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Ms. Robinson appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of her Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- [10.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Jerome E. Kurpel, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Jerome E. Kurpel, M.D., concerning a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Kurpel, accompanied by his attorney, Richard Millet, Esq., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order accepted by the Board. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- [11.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Jorge Rafael Belgodere-Bonilla, M.D. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Jorge Rafael Belgodere-Bonilla, M.D., concerning a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Belgodere-Bonilla appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order accepted by the Board. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- [12.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; David Adam Hebert, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of David Adam Hebert, M.D., concerning a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Hebert appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order accepted by the Board. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

- [13.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; John Allen Heidingsfelder, M.D. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of John Allen Heidingsfelder, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Heidingsfelder appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of John Allen Heidingsfelder, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.
- [14.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Roy Edward Berkowitz, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Roy Edward Berkowitz, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Berkowitz appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Roy Edward Berkowitz, M.D., to an unrestricted status, off probation with the prohibition remaining relative to the management of non-malignant, chronic or intractable pain and the performance of surgery.
- **15.** Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Personal Appearance; William W. Pinsky, VP, Academic Affairs, Ochsner Medical Center. William W. Pinsky, VP, Academic Affairs, Ochsner Medical Center, appeared before the Board in connection with the request of Richard D. Guthrie, Jr., M.D., Regional Medical Director, New Orleans Region, for a waiver of the three years post graduate training requirement for George Therapondos, M.D., who is considered a foreign medical graduate. Dr. Pinsky stated that Ochsner Medical Center was in partnership with the University of Queensland School of Medicine, Brisbane, Australia, which will provide clinical instructions to US students who will complete two years of their four-years of study under instruction of physicians at the University of Queensland and their final two years of study under instruction of physicians at the University of Queensland's Ochsner campus. Following his dismissal, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on his request pending research and additional information.
- [16.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Susan Frances Julius, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Susan Frances Julius, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Julius appeared before the Board

in connection with her request for reinstatement of her ability to prescribe Schedule III and IV controlled substances. Following her dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the ability of Susan Frances Julius to prescribe Schedule III and IV controlled substances.

- [17.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Richard Edward Sabatier, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Richard Edward Sabatier, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Sabatier appeared before the Board in connection with his request for removal of the restrictions imposed upon his medical license. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied his request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, removing the restrictions placed upon his license.
- [18.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Victor Jackson, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Victor Jackson, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Jackson appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Victor Jackson, M.D., to an unrestricted status, off probation.
- **[19.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Thomas Allen Hansbrough, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Thomas Allen Hansbrough, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Hansbrough appeared before the Board in connection with his request for dispensation registration. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, deemed Thomas Allen Hansbrough, M.D., eligible for dispensation registration.
- [20.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Michael Stephen Insler, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Michael Stephen Insler, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of

misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Insler appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and

passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Michael Stephen Insler, M.D., to an unrestricted status, off probation.

[21.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Stephen Kuplesky, M.D. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Stephen Kuplesky, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Kuplesky appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license to an unrestricted status, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Steven Kuplesky, M.D., to an unrestricted status, off probation with the lifetime prohibitions remaining.

[22.] Investigative Reports. On the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the investigative reports as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee, and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). Following review and discussion the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following:

Closed: The following matters were closed with no further action:

Docket No., 10-I-201

Docket No., 10-I-7721

Docket No., 09-I-890

Docket No., 09-I-625

Docket No., 09-I-626

Docket No., 09-I-627

Docket No., 09-I-628 Docket No., 09-I-631

Docket No., 09-I-637

Docket No., 09-I-638

Docket No., 09-I-639

¹ Dr. Burdine abstained from participation in this matter.

Docket No., 09-I-642

Docket No., 09-I-643

Docket No., 09-I-644

Docket No., 09-I-645

Docket No., 09-I-646

Docket No., 09-I-647

Docket No., 09-I-648

- **[23.] General Disciplinary Matters.** On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the requests relating to the execution or modification of a Decision and/or Consent Order as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct of licensees, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made and passed by unanimous voice vote, took the following actions:
 - a. <u>Probation Report</u> The Board noted the activity report for the probation department submitted for this month
 - b. <u>Site Visits</u> The Board noted the report on site visits for physician assistants, supervising physicians, and those with collaborative practice agreements and discussed compliance with the rules relative to supervision of physician assistants by primary and locum tenens physicians.
 - c. Rappelet, Case, PA. To Board noted the follow-up information provided and asked that a subsequent letter be forwarded to his supervising physicians relative to the list provided.
 - d. <u>Maul, Casey Jacob, PA</u> To approve reinstatement of the license of Casey Jacob Maul, PA, to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.
 - e. <u>Work, Kevin Govan, M.D.</u> To approve reinstatement of the license of Kevin Govan Work, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.
 - f. <u>Fingerprint Discrepancies</u> To approve the policy developed by staff relative to the handling of applicants with fingerprint discrepancies.
- [24.] Professional Liability Report. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the report of Dr. Eisenhauer, on professional liability cases reviewed since the last

meeting of the Board as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

- **25.** Rulings and Advisory Opinions; HCG as Dietary Aid; J. Kevin Duplechain, M.D. The Board reviewed the correspondence received from J. Kevin Duplechain, M.D., relative to the use of HCG as a dietary aid, providing his experience and recommendations regarding the use of HCG as a dietary aid. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to express appreciation to Dr. Duplechain for his communication and proposed recommendation, but to uphold its current position as stated on the website relative to the use of HCG as a dietary aid.
- 26. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Laser Treatment of Onychomycosis by Podiatrists. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Jeffrey K. Shapiro, Esq., Hyman, Phelps & McNamara, P.C., regarding the use of laser treatment for onychomycosis by podiatrists. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Mr. Sharpiro that the Board appreciates his concern regarding the treatment of conditions such as onychomycosis and the status of medical devices when using them to treat such conditions and physicians' overstating the benefits of their usage. Furthermore, the best way to handle inappropriate use of medical devices not FDA approved is to file a complaint with the FDA and to provide information to Louisiana physicians and podiatrist on this issue was through the Board's Newsletter and website.
- 27. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Scope of Practice; Ability of Podiatrists to Perform Non-Invasive Vascular Testing on the Lower Extremity. The Board reviewed electronic correspondence received from William Dabdoud, DPM, on the ability of podiatrists to perform non-invasive vascular testing on the lower extremity. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to advise Dr. Dabdoud that as long as vascular testing extended to patients with existing conditions that are within the scope of practice of podiatry and podiatrist would not be setting up vascular testing labs per se, podiatrists would be able to perform non-invasive vascular testing on the lower extremity.
- **28.** Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Treatment of Pain in the Emergency Room; Larry Parker M.D. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Larry Parker, M.D., Southern Emergency Consultants, LLC, relative to triage and treatment protocols for handling emergency room patients with complaints of pain. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to develop a statement of position on this issue.

29. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists; Telemedicine by Psychologists. The Board noted receipt of communication from Jaime T. Monic, Executive Director, Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

on the use of telemedicine for delivery of psychology services. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter pending further research.

30. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Ability of Medical Psychologists to Provide Psychology Services via Telemedicine. The Board reviewed the electronic correspondence received from Joseph E. Comaty, PhD., MP, ABMP, Office of Behavioral Health, Department of Health and Hospitals, on the ability of medical psychologists to provide medication management via telemedicine in different regions of the state. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to approve the use of telemedicine by psychologists for medication management in clinics/hospitals owned and operated by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

- 31. Communication and Information; Our Lady of the Lake College; Accreditation of Physician Assistant Program. The Board reviewed the communication received from Sandra S. Harper, Ph.D., President, Our Lady of the Lake College, informing the Board of the provisional accreditation by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for Physician Assistants, Inc. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **32.** Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards, Inc. The Board noted receipt of various communications from the Federation of State Medical Boards, Inc., concerning their next annual meeting. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **33.** Communication and Information; East Jefferson General Hospital; End of Life Issues. The Board reviewed the correspondence received from Kenneth B. Smith, M.D., Medical Director, Palliative Care, East Jefferson General Hospital, asking the Board for guidance on handling end of life issues when there is no do not resuscitate order in place or the patient refused to accept a DNR status. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to express its concern to Dr. Smith relative to matter and advise that the Board is not allowed to introduce legislation on this or any other issue as he suggested and inform him the Louisiana State Medical Society would be in a position, if they so chose, to handle this matter.
- **34.** Communication and Information; Trigger Point Injections by Mid Level Practitioners. The Board noted receipt of the correspondence relative to trigger point injections by mid level practitioners received from Cheryl S. Thomas, MSM, RN, Collaborative practice Inspector, Alabama State Board, and the response provided by Dr. Marier on this matter relative to the ability of physician assistants to provide this service. No further action was required or

taken on this matter.

- **35.** Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards, Inc., Opioid Prescribing Guide. The Board noted receipt of correspondence from Humayun J. Chaudhry, M.D., President and CEO, Federation of State Medical Boards, Inc., relative to the FSMB's Opioid Prescribing Guide. Dr. Chaudhry ask that inquires regarding this matter be directed to Lisa Robin, Senior Vice President, for Advocacy and Member Services.
- 36. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards, Inc.; Maintenance of Licensure Implementation Group Report. The Board noted receipt of the Maintenance of Licensure Implementation Group Report. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **37.** Communication and Information; Memorandum of Understanding between Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists and the Board. The Board noted the Memorandum of Understanding between the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychology and the Board and been executed. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **38.** Communication and Information; Mary Lou Applewhite, M.D. The Board noted that Mary Lou Applewhite, M.D., its first female Board member, had been honored as a Peoples Health Illustrious Alumnus and featured in The Franklin Sun newspaper. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **39.** Communication and Information; Public Citizen Advocacy; Ranking of State Medical Boards. The Board noted its ranking among state medical boards for serious disciplinary actions for 2006-2008 was number seven (7). No further action was required or taken on this matter.
- **40.** Communication and Information; Supervision of Psychology Students. The Board noted electronic correspondence relative to the supervision of psychology students. It was noted that his matter may be address by the rule making effort.
- 41. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.
 - a. <u>Financial Statement</u> The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending October 31, 2010 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of October 31, 2010. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending October 31, 2010 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The

Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of October 31, 2010.

- b. <u>2010 Board Amended Budget</u>. The Board reviewed the proposed amended budget for 2010 which had been prepared in compliance with the Louisiana Licensing Agency Budget Act of 1989, for submission to the Office of the Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare. Following review and discussion, motion was made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote to approve the amended budget as proposed. The Executive Director was instructed to send copies of the budget and notice of the approval to the aforementioned offices and committees as required by law.
- c. <u>2011 Board Budget</u>. The Board reviewed the proposed budget for 2011 which had been prepared in compliance with the Louisiana Licensing Agency Budget Act of 1989, for submission to the Office of the Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare. Following review and discussion, motion was made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote to approve the budget as proposed. The Executive Director was instructed to send copies of the budget and notice of the approval to the aforementioned offices and committees as required by law.
- **42. General Administrative Matters; President's Report.** The Board received the report of the President in his activities since the last meeting of the Board.
- **43. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report.** The Board received the report of its Executive Director on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. He provided a copy of the draft Behavioral Health Professions Working Group minutes and reported on the renovation project.
- **44. General Administrative Matters; Physician's Assistant Advisory Committee.** The Board reviewed the correspondence by Peter Stevens, PA, Chairman, Physician's Assistant Advisory Committee offering his resignation when his term expires on January 31, 2011. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to thank Mr. Stevens for his service on the Committee.
- **45. General Administrative Matters; Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee; Regina C. Blanchard, LOTR, OTAC.** The Board reviewed the nomination of Regina C. Blanchard, LOTR, OTAC to the Occupational Advisory Committee by Regina Dade, MBA, LOTR, Member. Following review and discussion on the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Robert

Committee.

Dawson, the Board approved the appointment of Regina C. Blanchard, LOTR, OTAC to the

- **46. General Administrative Matters; Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee; Regina Dade, MBA, LOTR.** The Board noted that Regina Dade, MBA, LOTR offered to continue her service on the Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee. Following review and discussion on the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson, the Board approved Ms. Dade continuation of service on the OT Advisory Committee.
- **[47.]** Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competency, or physical or mental health of an applicant pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Generalist

Bamburg, Christopher Troy

Technician

Russak, Anna Marie

Webb, Juanita A.

Laboratory Assistants

Harrison, Desechia Le Shann

Woods, Lannette N.

- **[48.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapist.** On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:
 - a. <u>Approved</u> To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Occupational Therapy Assistants

Hart, LaTara Cherelle

Nolan, Brandy Nicole

b. <u>Waiver</u> – To approve a waiver of the continuing education units for reinstatement due to extenuating circumstance for the following and inform her she had 6 months in which to obtain the required credits:

Schilling, Kendra Gasperecz, OT

c. <u>Denied</u> – To reaffirmed for the last time the Board's decision to deny the request for a waiver of an examination attempt for the following:

Millican, Kelly Leann

- **[49.] Licensure and Certification; Physician Assistants.** On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded, and carried by majority voice vote, made the following decisions:
 - a. <u>Prescriptive Authority.</u> To approve the applicants for prescriptive authority in accordance with promulgated of the rules effective January 20, 2005 provided all requirements had been met:
 - 1) <u>Barkerding, Amy Landry, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Bradley Kieffer, Fredro Knight, Jr., Robert Limbaugh III, Douglas McBride, Jodi McGee, Ikechukwu, Okorie, Charles Speights, Vincent Tullos, Martins Ugwu-Dike, Bryan Barrett, Matthew Bernand, Gary Goldbard, Derrick Dean, Mark McInnis, Stanford Owen and Richard Friend, Children's Medical Center, 71107 Hwy. 21, Covington.
 - 2) <u>Brown, Suzanne Machelle, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Vincent Tullos, Martin Ugwu-Dike, Bryan Barrett, Matthew Bernand, Gary Goldbard, Derrick Odell Dean, Mark McInnis, Stanford Owen and Richard Friend, 200 Corporate Boulevard, Suite 2001, Lafayette.
 - 3) Chappell, Rachel Naomi, PA Supervising physician: Dr. Lawrence

Cresswell III, Ochsner Emergency Department, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.

- 4) <u>Clary, Nikki Alexis, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Rebecca Doise, 4600 Ambassador Caffery Parkway, Lafayette.
- 5) <u>Cox, Georgia Ann, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Kelly Scrantz, 402 2nd Street, Bernice.
- 6) <u>Crawford, Heather Nichole, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. James Newcomb, Jr., Raymond Baez, Jose Lefran, Robert Taylor and Mark Babo Ochsner Health Center, 750 Gause Boulevard, Slidell.
- 7) <u>Crosby, Bethany Cubley, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. John Soud, Jerel Raney and John McLean, 7045 Youree Drive, Shreveport.
- 8) <u>Frederick, Barry Lane, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Michelle Serpas, St. Tammany Emergency Department, 1202 S. Tyler Street, Covington.
- 9) <u>Frese, Laura Colleen, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Scott Sullivan, Jr., Frank Dellacroce and Christopher Trahan, Center for Restorative Breast Surgery, 1717 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans.
- 10) <u>Glover, Dale Beaird, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Meredith Maxwell, Crescent City Physicians, 3434 Prytania Street, Suite 460, New Orleans.
- 11) <u>Gorio, Karla Danielle, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Gordon Clark, Kevin DiBenedetto, Grahan Tujague, Michael Hodgeson, Kimberly Washington and Jocelyn Wood, 721 Avenue G, Kentwood.
- 12) <u>Guidry, Byron John, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. John Sweeney and Jonathan Shults, 1978 Industrial Boulevard, Houma.
- 13) <u>Harold, Trey Michael, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Steven Atchison, Stephen Cox, Lewis Jones, James Lillich, John George, Michael Acurio, Ellis Cooper III and David Waddell, 1500 Line Avenue, Suite 100, Shreveport.
- 14) <u>Harris, Michelle Winter, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Alfred Krake, 3330 Masonic Drive, Alexandria.

- 15) Howland, Angela Dalee, PA Supervising physician: Dr. Vincent Tullos.
- 16) <u>Lambert, Connie Garetino, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Rafael Guerrero, 7777 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 406, Plaza I, Baton Rouge.
- 17) <u>Maranto, Molly Henderson, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. William Maranto, 2539 Viking Drive, Bossier City.
- 18) Mondello, Kelly Celeste, PA Supervising physicians: Drs. Effie Branton, Patrick Bonneval, Ronald Coe, Jennifer Crist, James Crowell III, Christiane Eisele, William Elliott III, Marci Fabre, Beverly Gladney, Robert Gruner, Richard Heflin, John Jones, Robert Limbaugh III, James Linford, Jason Madatic, David Melton, Pamela Payment, Eric Rowley, Keith Schwager, Todd Taylor, Monte Thames, Jr., Joseph Thomas, Jr., Kathleen Varnes and Lauren Yorek, 5000 Hennessy Boulevard, Baton Rouge.
- 19) <u>Petty, Lainey Medine, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Christopher Ritchey, Susmitha Anumukonda, Samuel Edelman, Keith Strain, Ronald Smith, and Brett Rodriguez, 1 St. Mary Place, Shreveport.
- 20) <u>Piccione, Paul Wayne, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Stephen Wyble and Albert Gros, Jr., Louisiana Specialty Institute, 501 W. St. Mary Boulevard, Suite 110, Lafayette.
- 21) <u>Prados, Jennifer Jones, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Carey Winder, Baton Rouge Orthopaedic Clinic, 8080 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Suite 1000, Baton Rouge.
- 22) Raetzsch, Michelle Fisher, PA Supervising physician: Dr. Vincent Tullos, Lane Regional Medical Center, Emergency Department, 6300 Main Street, Zachary.
- 23) <u>Ricks, Kevin Mark, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Adam Arcement, Thomas Falterman, Jonathan Allen, Pamela Capik, Gregory Fernandez, Stephen Lim, Brent Tatford and John Stephenson, 1978 Industrial Boulevard, Houma.
- 24) <u>Robert, Kristi Kamerman, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Jon Perenack 550 Connells Park Lane, Baton Rouge.

- 25) Robichaux, Elizabeth Kathleen, PA Supervising physician: Dr. Victor Vautrot, Department of Veterans Affairs, 2495 Shreveport Highway 71 North, Pineville.
- 26) <u>Rodriguez, Cassie Lynn, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Leone Elliott, Jr., 230 Roberts Drive, New Roads.
- 27) <u>Saunders, Heather Nicole, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Natalie Dishman and Francis Metz III, Medicine Clinic of Morgan City, 1126 Marguerite Street, Morgan City.
- 28) <u>Sterling, Shwanna Renee, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Luke Lee, 3515 Highway 1 South, Port Allen.
- 29) <u>Strain, Terry Lynn, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. John Bruchhaus, Rose Jumah and James Smith, Jr., Pool of Siloam Medical Ministry, 4140 Greenwood Road, Shreveport.
- 30) <u>Waggoner, Ashley Elizabeth, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Hamid Hussain and Brian Galofaro, 433 Plaza Street, Bogalusa.
- 31) <u>Walker, Sherry Bush, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. David Waddell, Lewis Jones, James Lillich, Stephen Cox, John Googe and Steven Atchison, 1500 Line Avenue, Suite 100, Shreveport.
- 32) <u>Webb, James Jungo, PA</u> Supervising physician: Dr. Kirtkumar Patel, 2120 Bert Kouns Industrial Loop, Suite F, Shreveport.
- 33) <u>Williams, Janice Patricia, PA</u> Supervising physicians: Drs. Bradley Kieffer, Fredro Knight, Jr., Robert Limbaugh III, Douglas McBride, Jodi McGee, Ikechukwu, Okorie, Charles Speights, Vincent Tullos, Martin Ugwu-Dike, Bryan Barrett, Matthew Bernand, Gary Goldbard, Derrick Dean, Mark McInnis, Stanford Owen and Richard Friend, Thomas Community Health Center/Drive Cain, 51704 Highway438, Franklinton.
- b. <u>Approved</u> To approve the non routine application of the following provided all requirements had been met:

Jones, Aaron Matthew

[50.] Licensure and Certification; Athletic Trainers. On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote the Board approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Albright, Ashley Erin

[51.] Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapist. On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Haynes, William C, Jr.

[52.] Licensure and Certification; Podiatry. On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Conservative Treatment of the Ankle

Perry, Anthony Gerald

Schunemeyer, Amy Blackwell

[53.] Licensure and Certification; Polysomnography. On motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon

motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Technologists

Hambrick, Roynetta D. Harford, Christopher D.

Seawright, DeLisa (TPE) Wagner, Bonnie A.

- **[54.]** Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates. On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:
 - a. <u>Mills, Jeri, M.D.</u> To defer action on the application of the following pending receipt of information relative to the maintenance of competency examination.
 - b. <u>Approved</u> To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Basu Ray, Indranill

Joe, Roger Gee

- **[55.]** Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates. On motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote made the following decisions:
 - a. <u>Cashman, Catherine Carollo, DO</u> To approve the request of Catherine Carollo Cashman, DO, for a waiver of an examination attempt due to extenuating circumstances.
 - b. <u>Frede, James R., M.D.</u> To deny the request of James R. Frede, M.D., for a waiver of SPEX and acceptance of the re-certification through MOC.
 - c. Jaeblon, Todd Darrin, DO To deny action on the application Todd Darrin

Jaeblon, DO, pending receipt of follow-up information.

d. <u>Non-Routine</u> – To approve the non-routine applications of the following provided all requirements had been met:

Alexrad, Thomas William Chaplnysky, Marta Joanna Kalanithi, Suman Arul Kastre, Tammy Yvonne Reiger, Dean Paul Stehr, Sean Christian Tape, Christopher James Semian, Douglas David

- **[56.]** Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to review the report of Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Investigating Officer, on the applicants for licensure with fingerprint discrepancies as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote made the following decisions:
 - a. <u>Approved</u> To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Respiratory Therapist

Wilks, Sandi M.

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Gilbert, Patricia W. Hatten, Stacie S.

Roberts, Lawson S. Self, Darlene J.

[57.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Relicensure/Reinstatement. On motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

a. <u>Approved</u> – To approve the following for relicensure/reinstatement provided all requirements had been met:

Physicians and Surgeons

Marinkovic, Serge P. Petrocy, Pamela J.

Schonfeld, Alvin J.

b. <u>Approved</u> – To approve a waiver of the SPEX examination for the following due to extenuating circumstances pertaining to Hurricane Katrina:

Lemann, Walter III

[58.] Licensure and Certification; Intern/Examination Registration. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for intern/examination registration as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved issuance of intern training permits to the following provided all requirements had been met:

US/Canadian Graduates

Mclendon, Ronald Cornelius, Jr.

Patton, April Renee

Graduate Education Temporary Permit

Pham, Huong Diem

[59.] Licensure and Certification; Supervising Physicians. On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the request of the following for issuance of a visiting professor permit as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following to serve as supervising physicians with the stipulation they are not supervising a physician assistant with prescriptive authority and provided all requirements had been met:

Aarstad, Robert Fredrick, M.D.

Bell, Don Gregory

60. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension. The Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by October 31, 2010. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m., to reconvene at the Board at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 7, 2010.

Second Session Tuesday, December 7, 2010

The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners was reconvened at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at the offices of the Board with everyone in attendance.

- **[61.]** Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar; Formal Hearing; Angela Mary Garcia, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board reconvened in executive session for the purpose of a formal hearing in the matter of Angela Mary Garcia, M.D., as a matter relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(4) and (10) and conduct an administrative hearing as provided by the legislature in the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act., La.Rev.Stat.49:951, et.Seq.
- **62. Next Meeting of Board**. The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for January 10, 11, 2011 at the temporary offices of the Board, 1515 Poydras Street, Suite 2700.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct account of the proceedings of the meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, save for executive session of the Board conducted therein, held on December 6, 7, 2010 as approved by the Board on the 10th day of January, 2011.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 10th day of January 2011.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

MINUTES OF MEETING

DECEMBER 6, 7, 2010		
	Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D. Secretary-Treasurer	
Attest:		
	Mark Henry Dawson, M.D. President	